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TO: *His Excellency, Governor Richard W. Riley, Chairman, State Budget and Control Board, and The Members of the South Carolina General Assembly.*

The Higher Education Tuition Grants Committee respectfully submits for consideration its annual report. Included in this report is general data concerning the development of the program and specific data covering the 1981-82 academic year.

Respectfully yours,
Joab M. Lesesne, Jr.
Higher Education Tuition Grants
Committee

TUITION GRANTS - PHILOSOPHY AND PURPOSE

"Whereas, the General Assembly finds that as a result of the rising school population and the continuously rising cost of providing proper facilities for the higher education of young people, there exists in this State an urgent need to use all available educational resources wisely. A lack of higher educational facilities is inimical to the welfare and prosperity of all residents of the State and to the continued financial growth of the State; and

Whereas, the General Assembly also finds that within the State there exists several accredited independent institutions of higher learning whose facilities could be used effectively in the public interest by providing additional space for students thereby eliminating the need for substantial increases in capital outlay funds;

Whereas, it is vital to the growth of the State that all qualified residents be offered the opportunity for furthering their education.

To achieve this in the most economical manner, students willing to bear the major cost of their education expenses should be assisted where financial need exists in an effort to make their educational goals more readily attainable."

-The Preamble to the Tuition Grants Law

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STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR THE AGENCY

The General Assembly of the State of South Carolina during the 1970 session passed Act 1191 creating the Higher Education Tuition Grants Committee. This Committee was created as a State agency charged with the responsibility for overseeing the operation of the Tuition Grants Program.

HISTORY OF THE AGENCY

In 1970 the General Assembly passed a bill which created the Higher Education Tuition Grants Committee, an agency which was charged with the responsibility of administering tuition grants to independent college students. The Governor signed the bill on May 1, 1970. The original appropriation was \$5,000. No awards were made the first year. In 1971-72 the program aided 43 students. In 1972-73, a total of 134 students received awards.

A total of 3,271 grants were made for the 1973-74 academic year. The Committee made awards to 5,186 students for the 1974-75 academic year. 5,784 awards were made to students for the 1975-76 year. 7,516 awards were made to students for the 1976-77 year. During 1977-78 7,758 awards were made. In 1978-79 8,335 students received awards. 7,634 awards were made to students for the 1979-80 year. In 1980-81, 8,479* awards were made. 8,011 awards were made to eligible students in 1981-82.

PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE AGENCY

The South Carolina Higher Education Tuition Grants Committee has been charged by the General Assembly with the responsibility of administering the Tuition Grants Program. This program allows South Carolina residents who attend independent colleges in this state to receive financial assistance from the state.

All grant recipients must be full-time students, of good moral character and must demonstrate financial need and academic merit. They may not take a course which leads to a degree in theology, divinity, or religious education.

Eligible students may apply their grants toward tuition and fees at a South Carolina independent college which is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools or certified

* 1049 of these awards were half-grants to students for second semester only.

for teacher training. The amount of the grant may not exceed the student's financial need or the total of tuition and fees charged by the college. Also, the amount may not exceed the annual subsidy for students who attend public colleges in the state.

In November, 1980, the Tuition Grants Committee distributed application forms to all South Carolina secondary schools and to eligible colleges. The guidance offices at the secondary schools and the financial aid offices at the colleges distributed these application forms to students throughout the state.

The Tuition Grants Office received a total of 12,679 applications for the 1981-82 academic year.

The Tuition Grants Program has opened the door of educational opportunity to thousands of South Carolinians. A survey of grant recipients has indicated that forty-three percent (43%) of the grant awardees would not have gone to college without the grant.

PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITIES

During the past twelve months staff members participated in several financial aid programs for parents, students, and high school counselors. These informative sessions were conducted throughout the state in the schools.

RESOURCES

The state appropriation for 1981-82	\$12,084,659
Federal matching funds through the State	
Student Incentive Grants Program.....	\$830,289
2.19% B & C Board Reduction	\$268,598
Total Grants Program Funding	\$12,646,350
Total Administrative costs for 1981-82 will be approximately \$155,866 or 1.23% of the appropriation.	

1981-82 HIGHLIGHTS

1. Students at nineteen (19) independent colleges in South Carolina were eligible to participate in the Tuition Grants Program during 1981-82. These colleges enrolled a total of 16,759 full-time under-graduate students. Sixty-seven percent (67%) of these students are from South Carolina.
2. Forty-six percent (46%) of the recipients had a total family income of less than \$15,000 per year. Sixty-two percent (62%) of the students had incomes less than \$21,000 per year. The average 1980 income was \$17,436.
3. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the 1981-82 award dollars went to South Carolina residents attending the five historically black colleges that participate in the program. Thirty-eight percent (38%) of the total funds awarded went to black students.
4. The 1981-82 average tuition/fee charge is \$3,082 per year, not including room, board or books. This is an increase of \$318 over the 1980-81 average.
5. Seventy seven percent (77%) of the 1981-82 freshmen tuition grant recipients ranked in the upper half of their high school class.
6. Females accounted for 62% of the 1981-82 awardees.
7. Eighty five percent (85%) of the recipients were dependent upon their parents/guardians for financial support. Fifteen percent (15%) were totally independent and relied only on their own income or that of a spouse.

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**UNDERGRADUATE FULL-TIME STUDENT ENROLLMENT
AT THE NINETEEN COLLEGES PARTICIPATING
IN TUITION GRANTS PROGRAM**

	1974-75	1975-76	1976-77	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81	1982-82
Allen						259	404	281
Anderson	1017	1063	1063	961	1027	1101	1035	1011
Baptist	1236	1297	1286	1285	1469	1551	1590	1840
Benedict	1262	1615	1973	2025	1745	1584	1394	1257
Central Wesleyan	321	346	338	349	369	355	368	376
Claflin	820	903	985	892	844	854	718	638
Coker	544	403	377	281	254	247	256	210
Columbia	832	783	812	846	849	908	918	920
Converse	764	717	753	767	731	737	735	735
Erskine	715	710	656	647	657	613	644	618
Furman	2007	2027	2012	2004	2179	2218	2289	2214
Limestone	432	464	656	681	1038	1116	1375	1485
Morris	389	515	617	640	594	659	593	627
Newberry	828	829	812	810	789	857	797	705
North Greenville	594	555	493	475	477	471	561	509
Presbyterian	812	828	798	808	872	917	917	918
Spartanburg	774	922	903	944	863	809	833	842
Voorhees	846	1007	1042	954	780	692	602	598
Wofford	982	944	1030	975	956	1032	1001	975
TOTAL STUDENTS.	15,175	15,928	16,606	16,344	16,493	16,980	17,030	16,759

* Figures taken from State of South Carolina Higher Education Statistical Abstract, Fourth Edition, printed by S.C. Commission on Higher Education in March, 1982.

FULL-TIME FRESHMEN ENROLLMENTS AT THE NINETEEN COLLEGES PARTICIPATING IN TUITION GRANTS PROGRAM

1974-75 1975-76 1976-77 1977-78 1978-79 1979-80 1980-81 1981-82

Allen						76	117	116
Anderson	569	662	623	604	778	741	693	658
Baptist	442	552	604	569	794	799	811	868
Benedict	459	687	778	645	530	616	544	611
Central Wesleyan	118	121	103	113	126	126	129	140
Claflin	322	302	297	264	272	278	237	187
Coker	150	127	124	82	86	91	95	81
Columbia.....	290	253	248	283	314	331	330	295
Converse	234	246	242	228	207	255	257	248
Erskine	240	252	204	206	165	167	174	152
Furman	615	655	631	649	778	703	732	612
Limestone	163	157	193	198	344	330	413	619
Morris.....	188	205	271	275	206	269	243	270
Newberry	280	303	259	278	248	298	279	236
North Greenville	483	385	282	262	320	382	454	294
Presbyterian	221	252	277	307	345	330	330	324
Spartanburg	623	454	538	527	490	468	483	509
Voorhees	318	327	495	383	385	279	241	304
Wofford	263	257	343	312	321	406	390	303
TOTAL STUDENTS.	5978	6197	6515	6185	6709	6945	6952	6827

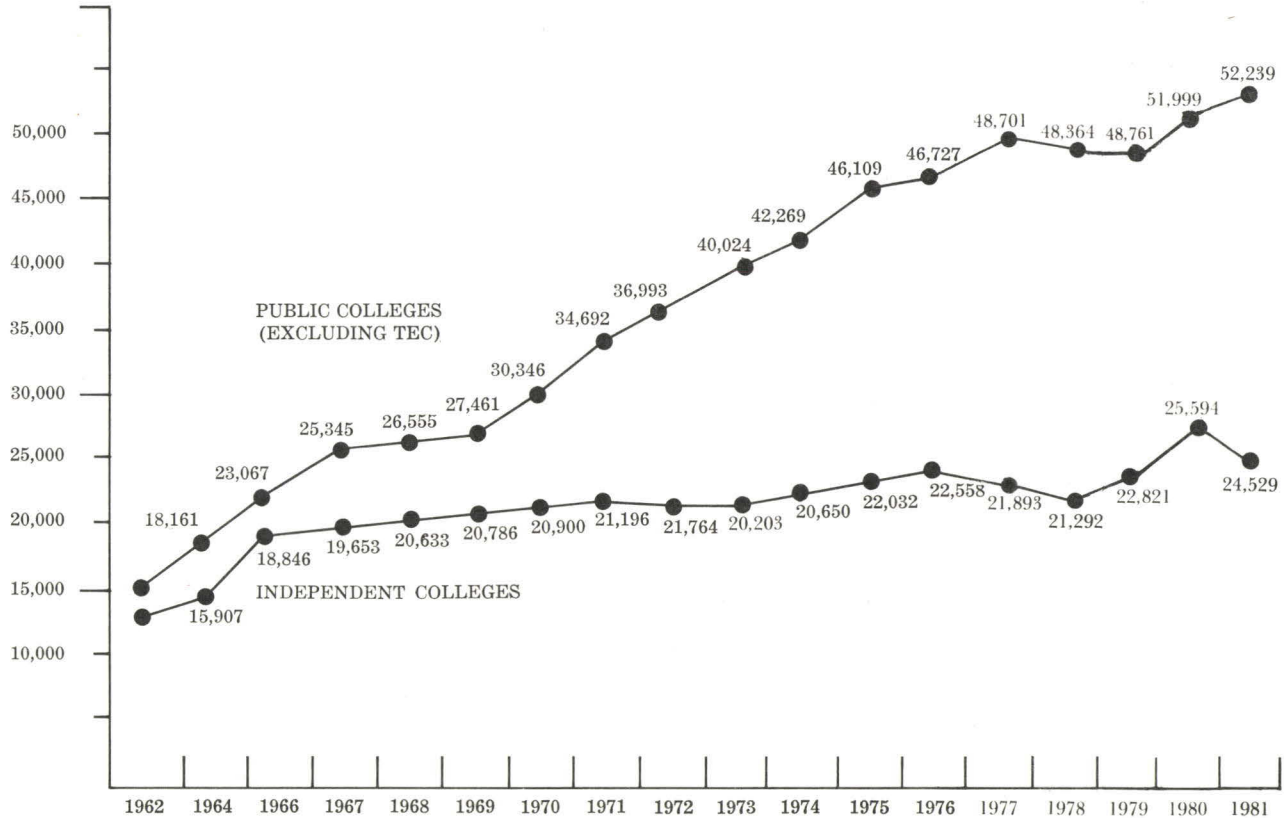
* Figures supplied to S.C. Tuition Grants Agency by the colleges on the 1981-82 Fall Enrollment Reports.

**S.C. RESIDENT FULL-TIME ENROLLMENTS AT THE NINETEEN
COLLEGES PARTICIPATING IN
TUITION GRANTS PROGRAM**

	1974-75	1975-76	1976-77	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81	1981-82
Allen						172	267	174
Anderson	966	933	1004	892	947	1018	952	938
Baptist	1105	1203	1207	1207	1360	1240	1272	1420
Benedict	1103	1473	1808	1839	1613	1411	1241	1084
Central Wesleyan	196	174	171	184	228	222	232	234
Claflin	785	870	948	851	803	812	682	606
Coker	485	344	335	239	219	206	212	172
Columbia	793	733	766	792	789	836	845	845
Converse	324	327	317	304	296	302	301	326
Erskine	470	527	493	485	489	443	464	459
Furman	1221	993	901	860	903	935	961	998
Limestone	325	358	528	572	949	1031	1265	1297
Morris	415	503	552	601	561	621	559	595
Newberry	595	625	631	624	632	690	642	583
North Greenville	639	527	460	432	437	412	491	473
Presbyterian	465	504	501	455	445	450	450	491
Spartanburg	751	840	898	909	822	778	801	802
Voorhees	813	939	935	867	717	629	547	532
Wofford	735	695	763	721	704	749	683	724
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TOTAL STUDENTS.	12,186	12,628	13,218	12,834	12,914	12,957	12,867	12,753

FULL-TIME COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ENROLLMENTS

BY PUBLIC & PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS



**APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AND GRANTS AWARDED
1981-82**

	Applications Received	Grants
Allen	140	66
Anderson	930	613
Baptist	1,730	958
Benedict	1,521	816
Central Wesleyan	260	184
Claflin	765	448
Coker	212	131
Columbia	735	558
Converse	206	167
Erskine	459	349
Furman	920	718
Limestone	558	370
Morris	580	324
Newberry	605	419
North Greenville	460	253
Presbyterian	383	292
Spartanburg Methodist	843	528
Voorhees	530	368
Wofford	624	449
Other	218	
TOTALS	12,679	8,011

SOUTH CAROLINA TUITION GRANTS AGENCY

1981-1982 TUITION GRANTS

COLLEGE	FRESHMAN		SOPHOMORES		JUNIORS		SENIORS		TOTALS	
	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
Allen	13	\$16,442	19	\$26,520	19	525,660	15	\$19,952	66	\$88,574
Anderson	369	\$510,973	237	\$318,885	7	\$5,690		\$0	613	\$835,458
Baptist	285	\$463,085	242	\$397,123	258	\$443,067	173	\$278,580	958	\$1,581,855
Benedict	255	\$379,860	220	\$320,714	171	\$253,447	170	\$247,356	816	\$1,201,377
Central Wesleyan ...	42	\$62,960	42	\$63,175	52	\$88,533	48	\$77,215	184	\$286,883
Clafflin	92	\$122,454	120	\$164,330	115	\$160,730	121	\$163,272	448	\$610,786
Coker	27	\$45,667	39	\$64,951	39	\$66,755	26	\$39,089	131	\$215,462
Columbia	144	\$229,493	148	\$241,859	146	\$255,554	120	\$194,609	558	\$921,515
Converse	56	\$110,400	36	\$71,200	43	\$83,105	32	\$61,370	167	\$326,075
Erskine	87	\$156,740	90	\$157,230	78	\$147,770	94	\$173,820	349	\$635,560
Furman	148	\$267,453	209	\$378,876	194	\$368,490	167	\$310,691	718	\$1,320,510
Limestone	95	\$136,539	99	\$141,666	99	\$139,035	77	\$113,105	370	\$530,345
Morris	98	\$123,864	102	\$132,445	71	\$88,500	53	\$65,205	324	\$410,014
Newberry	117	\$207,590	104	\$184,455	115	\$213,215	83	\$153,425	419	\$758,685
North Greenville....	151	\$213,140	102	\$137,930		\$0		\$0	253	\$351,070
Presbyterian	87	\$146,121	71	\$121,581	70	\$133,614	64	\$121,170	292	\$522,486
Spartanburg Meth...	321	\$422,685	203	\$273,860	3	\$3,120	1	\$1,560	528	\$701,225
Voorhees	74	\$107,848	106	\$138,940	115	\$159,510	73	\$84,208	368	\$490,506
Wofford	96	\$182,358	145	\$275,344	118	\$222,589	90	\$162,055	449	\$842,346
TOTAL	2,557	\$3,905,672	2,334	\$3,611,084	1,713	\$2,847,384	1,407	\$2,266,682	8,011	\$12,630,822

Voucher Records Read

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Voucher Records Used

14,948

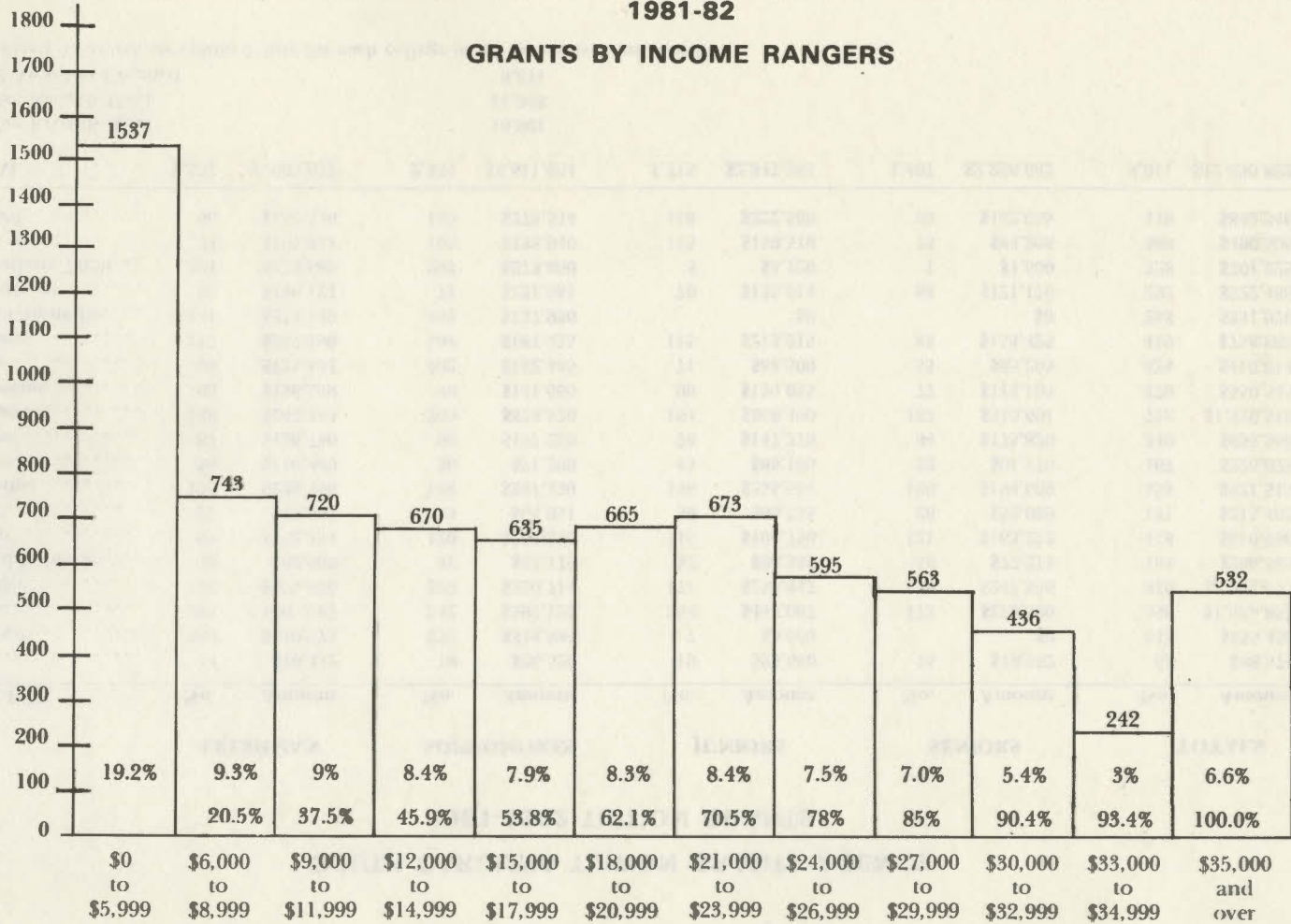
Actual Awardees Counted

8,011

(Transferred Awardees are counted once for each college where he received an award.)

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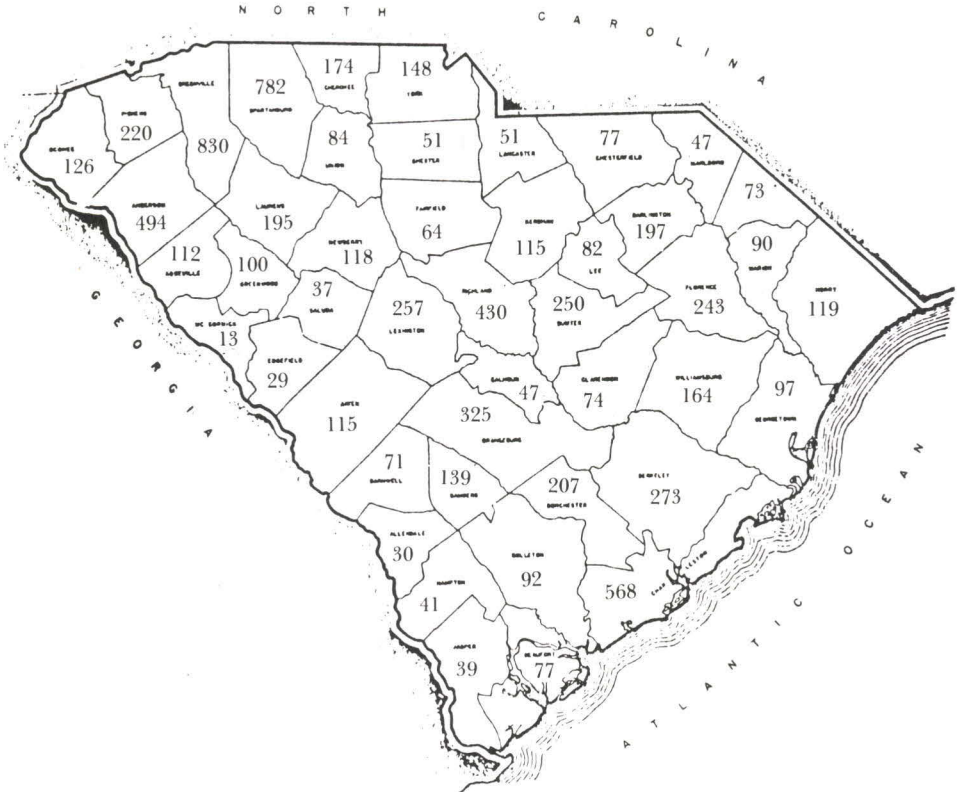
GRANTS BY INCOME RANGERS



1979-80 TUITION GRANTS BREAKDOWN

County	Number of Recipients	Percentage of Recipients	Percentage of State Population
Abbeville	112	1.39	.81
Aiken	115	1.43	3.51
Allendale	30	.37	.37
Anderson	494	6.16	4.07
Bamberg	139	1.73	.62
Barnwell	71	.88	.66
Beaufort	77	.96	1.97
Berkeley	273	3.4	2.16
Calhoun	47	.58	.42
Charleston	568	7.09	9.55
Cherokee	174	2.17	1.42
Chester	51	.63	1.15
Chesterfield	77	.96	1.30
Clarendon	74	.92	.98
Colleton	92	1.14	1.06
Darlington	197	2.45	2.06
Dillon	73	.91	1.11
Dorchester	207	2.58	1.25
Edgefield	29	.36	.61
Fairfield	64	.79	.77
Florence	243	3.03	2.46
Georgetown	97	1.21	1.30
Greenville	830	10.36	9.28
Greenwood	100	1.24	1.92
Hampton	41	.51	.61
Horry	119	1.48	2.70
Jasper	39	.48	.46
Kershaw	115	1.43	1.34
Lancaster	51	.63	1.67
Laurens	195	2.43	1.92
Lee	82	1.02	.71
Lexington	257	3.20	3.43
McCormick	13	.16	.31
Marion	90	1.12	1.17
Marlboro	47	.58	1.05
Newberry	118	1.47	1.13
Oconee	126	1.57	1.57
Orangeburg	325	4.05	2.70
Pickens	220	2.74	2.30
Richland	430	5.36	9.03
Saluda	37	.46	.56
Spartanburg	782	9.76	6.71
Sumter	250	3.12	3.07
Union	84	1.04	1.13
Williamsburg	164	2.04	1.32
York	148	1.84	3.30

1981-82 TUITION GRANTS PER COUNTY



1980-1981 TUITION GRANTS

COLLEGE	FRESHMEN		SOPHOMORES		JUNIORS		SENIORS		TOTALS		AVERAGE
	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	
Allen	9	\$6,730	22	\$15,930	11	\$6,170	19	\$13,700	61	\$42,530	697
Anderson	364	\$385,968	295	\$334,665		\$0		\$0	659	\$720,633	1094
Baptist	268	\$343,490	289	\$466,295	248	\$397,755	191	\$281,295	996	\$1,488,835	1495
Benedict	275	\$283,433	254	\$266,962	229	\$253,240	226	\$235,821	984	\$1,039,456	1056
Central Wesleyan ..	41	\$49,510	43	\$61,920	52	\$72,455	45	\$63,100	181	\$246,985	1365
Claflin	137	\$117,265	138	\$126,840	140	\$124,810	127	\$111,210	542	\$480,125	886
Coker	42	\$48,747	46	\$68,025	41	\$58,440	30	\$43,310	159	\$218,522	1374
Columbia	172	\$226,272	156	\$246,306	127	\$204,095	115	\$184,720	570	\$861,393	1511
Converse	41	\$57,232	42	\$76,704	35	\$59,710	39	\$66,086	157	\$259,732	1654
Erskine	103	\$139,725	80	\$142,210	105	\$186,315	58	\$104,520	346	\$572,770	1655
Furman	219	\$291,866	194	\$342,995	175	\$297,182	152	\$271,157	740	\$1,203,200	1626
Limestone	77	\$79,965	67	\$89,388	104	\$134,409	82	\$118,321	330	\$422,083	1279
Morris	86	\$54,935	87	\$52,970	72	\$42,195	68	\$36,295	313	\$186,395	596
Newberry	120	\$161,230	145	\$245,780	104	\$175,600	106	\$185,170	475	\$767,780	1616
North Greenville...	193	\$174,920	115	\$112,245	1	1,000		\$0	309	\$288,165	933
Presbyterian	92	\$117,700	66	\$116,250	70	\$132,670	64	\$116,110	292	\$482,730	1653
Spartanburg	331	\$299,712	206	\$214,660	2	\$3,600		\$0	539	\$517,972	961
Voorhees	70	\$56,390	131	\$116,435	72	\$65,850	99	\$95,140	372	\$333,815	897
Wofford	152	\$200,906	128	\$224,932	100	\$170,750	74	\$123,646	454	\$720,234	1586
TOTAL	2,792	\$3,095,996	2,504	\$3,321,512	1,688	\$2,386,246	1,495	\$2,049,601	8,479	\$10,853,355	
Average		1109		1326		1414		1371		1280	

VOUCHER RECORDS READ 8,866

VOUCHER RECORDS USED 8,713 Includes refunds through 9-9-81.

ACTUAL AWARDEES COUNTED 8,479

(TRANSFERED AWARDEES ARE COUNTED ONCE FOR EACH COLLEGE WHERE HE RECEIVED AN AWARD.)

AWARDS, STATE FUNDS, AND TOTAL FUNDS HISTORY

	1970-71	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76
STATE APPROPRIATION	\$5000	\$50,000	\$150,000	\$4,000,000	\$6,180,000	\$7,255,473
TOTAL FUNDS	\$5000	\$50,000	\$150,000	\$4,000,000	\$6,398,882	\$7,460,840
NUMBER OF GRANTS		43	134	3,271	5,186	5,784

	1976-77	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81	1981-82
STATE APPROPRIATION	\$7,332,686	\$8,354,749	\$ 9,356,497	\$ 9,907,590	\$10,834,659	\$12,084,659
TOTAL FUNDS	\$7,833,339	\$9,085,707	\$10,133,140	\$10,788,633	\$11,700,785	\$12,646,350
NUMBER OF GRANTS	7,516	7,758	8,335	7,634*	8,479	8,011

*Number of 1979-80 grants does not include total number of new second semester awards.

**Number of 1980-81 grants include 1049 grants for second semester only.

***1981-82 total funds includes \$830,289 in federal S.S.I.G. funds plus 2.19% Budget & Control Board midyear reduction.

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